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Sir:

This is in response under 37 CFR §1.111 to the Final Action dated September 8, 2005, and the Advisory Action dated November 21, 2005, issued in the above-identified application, wherein Applicant requests reconsideration and entry in view of the following amendment and remarks, and is filed as a submission and concurrently with a Request for Continued Examination under 37 CFR §1.114.

This response is accompanied by a request for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a).

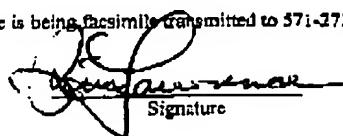
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